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TO:

All U.S. Ford and Lincoln Mercury Dealers

SUBJECT:

DEMONSTRATION / DELIVERY HOLD: Safety Recall 04S22:

Certain 2003 and 2004 Model Year E-Series Vehicles

Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS) Module Service

AFFECTED VEHICLES

Certain 2003 model year E-Series vehicles built at the Lorain Assembly Plant from April 23, 2002 through September 19, 2003 and certain 2004 model year E-Series vehicles built at the Lorain Assembly Plant from May 06, 2003 through November 19, 2003. Affected vehicles are identified in OASIS. In addition, for a flet of unsold vehicles assigned to your dealership visit https://web.fsavinilsts.dealerconnection.com.

REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

In a very small percentage of the affected vehicles, a diode in the Anti-Lock Brake System (ABS) Module may experience an electrical short. An electrical short may cause an ABS malfunction that would illuminate the ABS warning light, or the module may overheat resulting in burning odor, smoke, and/or fire. Since battery power is always present at the module, this condition may occur when the vehicle ignition switch is in the off position, creating the potential for unattended vehicle fires.

SERVICE ACTION

DO NOT DEMONSTRATE, OR DELIVER any of the affected vehicles involved in this safety recall.

PLEASE NOTE: PARTS FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL ARE CURRENTLY NOT AVAILABLE. DUE TO THE RISK OF AN UNATTENDED VEHICLE FIRE, AFFECTED VEHICLES SHOULD NOT BE PARKED IN AN ENCLOSED STRUCTURE UNTIL THIS RECALL SERVICE HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

Information on part availability and service procedures will be provided in a follow-up communication.

CUSTOMER NOTIFICATION

Owners of record witi be notified via first-class mail after repair instructions and parts ordering information have been provided to dealers.

OASIS

Consult OASIS for affected vehicles. FSA VIN listings for unsold vehicles will be available. September 7, 2004.

PLEASE NOTE:

Correct all vehicles in stock before delivery. Federal law requires dealers to complete any outstanding safety recall service before a new vehicle is delivered to the buyer or lessee. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 per vehicle.

QUESTIONS?

Special Service Support Center (Dealer Only) Questions: 1-800-325-5621

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